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For Our Farmer Readers.

Keep the collars clean if you would prevent sore shoulder.

Feed your buttermilk to the hogs. It is excellent feed for them.

A number of advertised patent watering arrangements for hogs are worthless.

No better use can be made of clover or alfalfa than to pasture hogs on it.

If the hog has good pasture it will keep right on growing during the summer.

The mud puddle is the hog's bath and the animal ought to have access to one.

The wide-tired wagon will enable you to haul bigger loads over dry, powdery soil.

The hog must have pure drinking water. Slops can never supply the place of water.

Be humane enough to remove the harness at the noon hour. The horse merits this kindness.

We advise a wet sponge on top of the horse's head on hot days, or shade over the head. Do not place anything heavy on top and close to the head.

The Missouri peach is coming to the front. For flavor and color the peaches grown on the Ozarks are unexcelled, and in this year of a fruit shortage the peach leads the apples in yield. In fact, many fruit growers are saying that the peach is more reliable than the apple. One thing must be borne in mind, however, in setting a peach orchard; the trees that have the fruit this year are on the high points. The matters of location and of slope of land must be considered.

The cow is very much like an engine. She converts the food into dairy products as much as an engine changes fuel and water into force. She must be selected with this purpose in view. A dairy cow should have a large stomach, be deep through from the backbone downward and large around, so she can carry and consume the food. She should have but little disposition to lay on fat. Her hind quarter should not be rounded but be curved inward.

Girls who have to stand on their feet most of the time work as hard as any day-laborer yet they do not get what is rightly called exercise. Close, confined, indoor occupation gives no exhilaration to the nervous system, no active circulation to the blood. It wears, tears and drags a woman's life away. The whole physical system grows sluggish and torpid under it.

No wonder so many sales girls and factory girls and housewives suffer from indigestion and constipation and bilious troubles. No wonder they are subject to the diseases of the delicate special organism of their sex. The wonder is rather that they can stand it as well as they do.

But a poor weak woman, as she is termed, will endure bravely and patiently agonies which a strong man would give way under. The fact is women are more patient than they ought to be under such troubles.

Every woman ought to know that she may obtain the most eminent medical advice free of charge and in absolute confidence and privacy by writing to Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. Occupying this position for thirty years he has had a wider practical experience in the treatment of women's diseases than any other physician in this country. His medicines are world-famous for their astonishing efficacy.

The most perfect remedy ever devised for weak and delicate women is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. His "Golden Medical Discovery" is the only permanent digestive and nutrient tonic. The two medicines taken alternately, form the most perfect and successful course of treatment ever prescribed for female troubles complicated with a sluggish, overwrought, nervous, diseased constitution. In severe constipation Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets should be occasionally taken with the others. They never gripe.

a little instead of outward. A hand-some cow, with smooth joints and round body, is seldom a good milker.

In conversation with the packer a few days since, he expressed the opinion that the big Southern corn crop might cause some of the swine breeders to make the mistake of feeding their hogs too long, and making them too heavy for the top prices. The hog ought to be put on the market at about 250 pounds to sell to the best advantage. Of course he must be smooth and fat, but having these advantages he is a better hog both for tee hog raiser and the packer at the weight named. Everyone knows that it cost less to put on the first one hundred pounds than the second, and that as weight increases each pound of pork is at the cost of more feed than the preceding pound.

There is one place where luck does not count, and that is in the dairy. You cannot produce good butter by accident, neither do cows give their richest milk to the man who stands at the door and waits. Fortune does not knock at the door of the cowman, and wait for him to come out and welcome her. He must make his own tide of fortune, and do it by hard, intelligent work. Luck does not influence the yield nor keep the bacteria from tainting his milk. Luck will not produce Elgin prices for his butter, nor keep his cows in good condition. The saying, "all things come to him who waits," does not apply to the dairyman. True, he may gather up a miscellaneous lot of things by waiting, but they are not the things he wants. He will find all the ills that a dairy can possibly be heir to fall on his devoted head, if he trusts to luck and don't hustle.

One of the most significant features of the live stock situation is the increasing demand for thoroughbreds with which to improve the common blood. During the late depression, this fine stock industry suffered quite as severely as other branches, if not more so. Now, however, thoroughbred Shorthorns are averaging \$300 to \$500 per head at public sales. Herefords average still higher and Angus are correspondingly high, while \$3,000 was recently paid for a bull and \$1,500 for a cow of the best breeds. The demand for thoroughbreds of the dairy breeds is also on the increase and the boom in fine hogs continues. Poland Chinas averaging from \$50 to \$100, even at public sales. In the full return of agricultural prosperity, the fine stock industry is to have a generous share.

The beef breeds of cattle are in demand. They have been increasing in value for some time, and prices will still continue to advance. The low prices of steers for many years discouraged cattlemen, and they were willing to get along with scrubs, but as soon as prices turned a better class of stock was wanted, and the auction sales of Shorthorn and Hereford breeders testified to the increase demand at much higher prices. Now that the war is over and hundreds of millions of dollars are going into circulation that would not have gone in but for the war, we may expect better times and higher prices. The coming fall and winter will be a good time for sales, and good prices for good stock may be expected. There is no better field for investment by farmers than in pure breeds of cattle. It is a good time to commence a herd of Hereford, Shorthorn, Polled Angus, Red Polled or any other well established breed.

The advantages of dehorning cattle are so apparent that the practice is becoming very general where numbers of cattle are handled. The feeder and handler of hornless cattle not only

takes pleasure in seeing his herd feeding quietly and peacefully in their places but he has the satisfaction in knowing that there is little or no danger in working among them. No matter how vicious a steer may be in a herd, when he is deprived of his horns he becomes as quiet as a lamb, and a de-horned herd will settle down and feed as quietly as a flock of sheep. Otherwise some of the herd are being constantly tormented and gored by the belligerents. Shippers and packers much prefer dehorned animals. In shipping steers with large sharp horns, bruises and blood spots are not only found on many of them in unloading, but hides are damaged to considerable extent.

The Best Way to Cook Chicken.

Dress and joint a young chicken as for frying; roll it in flour, place in a deep baking dish, salt, pepper, and add bits of butter, and enough sweet milk to barely cover; cover the dish and bake in a moderate oven for an hour or until the milk has about cooked away. This is certainly the finest way in which a young chicken can be cooked—so sweet and tender and free from greasiness. If a gravy is desired, a pint of sweet milk may be added to what is left in the pan when the chicken is removed, and when it boils a heaping tablespoon of flour smothered in a little cold water added, seasoned; boil for two or three minutes and serve in a gravy dish.

Old chickens may be cooked in the same way, only twice as much milk or more must be used, and bake very slow for three or four hours, and it is far richer and better flavored than when stewed. If fat, no butter need be added.

Almost all meats and vegetables that are usually fried are much better as well as more nutritious and digestible, if baked, and almost everything can be cooked in the oven, boiled if necessary, in a covered crock or pan and be better than when cooked on top of the stove, and also less trouble, for a thing when once put in the oven requires little further attention or stirring, as there is little danger of burning. On washing and ironing days or at any time when the top of the stove is needed the entire dinner may be cooked in the oven to advantage.—*Farm and Field.*

Farm For Sale.

The A. V. Salisbury farm, containing 150 acres, has been placed in my hands for sale. There are 125 acres in cultivation, and two houses, three barns, one cistern, one living well, a good orchard, a pair of splendid stock scales and six large feeding troughs on the premises for use in fattening cattle. The place is located only one-half mile from Echo, which affords a good market for butter and eggs. Only one-half mile to school-house and 2 1/2 miles to flouring mill. Farm is all under fence. Terms: I will take \$3,000 for the place—\$1,200 down, and the balance in equal annual payments running five years, deferred payments to bear eight per cent annual interest. Call on or address:

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"FIVE DOLLARS REWARD. Being in the Museum Business, would like to hear from any freaks of nature or monstrosities, either in the animal or human family, which may exist in this county or anywhere else.

"The above reward of five dollars will be paid to anyone giving us the information regarding the above, which may lead to our making arrangements for the purpose of exhibiting any such curiosity. For further particulars address

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A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles free at W. C. Gaston's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Courier Points.

It is very easy to insult a hungry man.

The easier a woman cries the less it means.

Whiskey can't talk, yet it frequently tells on a man.

Don't meddle with people who don't meddle with you.

Some people have a good time, but it is in a fool way.

Every man thinks he could preach or run a newspaper.

Don't despise the lowly. The under jaw does all the work.

If you must have your picture taken, for heaven's sake don't pose.

An old maid aunt with money is the only genuine fairy godmother.

Many a man in his sober second thoughts has a sour stomach.

How easy it is to collect a crowd! How people love to rubberneck.

One year in some lives is equal to the whole mortal span in others.

Soon after a man passes 40 he begins to lose interest in the Fourth of July noise.

In almost every family there is something they don't allow the children to talk about.

The embarrassment due to the lack of money can completely change a whole nature.

A generous man never asks a woman's age; she may be trying to live her life over again.

The bells in the choir often brings more young men to church than the bell in the steeple.

A woman always knows when she is nearing the last note in the symphony of a man's affection.

Why is it that some days the rooms in our house we think the prettiest look so wretchedly shabby?

The more some men dress up the more they advertise the fact that they cannot be made to look nice.

A young lady can't hide her devotion to her best fellow any more than she can hide her new Easter hat.

When a widow begins to leave off mourning the person whose opinion she fears most is her mother-in-law.

There are people who can show you the way to heaven quicker than they can direct you to the nearest church.

A great sorrow will cause a woman to like awake all night, while a man can sleep, ay, even snore, on such occasions.

The man who is the most gentle and tender in the development of a love affair can be the most brutal in breaking it off.

If we were only as happy as we pretend to be there would be no heartaches or pillows wet with midnight tears.

A church dinner may and a few dimes to the treasury of the church, but it takes them out of the flour barrel of the deacon.

What a woman can do and suffer is unknown to herself until some occasion presents itself which draws out the hidden power.

The funniest exhibition in all human nature is to see a girl desperately in love, and the next funniest sight is to see a man in the same fix.

When a woman pulls down a folding bed and then looks to see if there is a man under it she shows her abiding faith in past traditions.

Charley—The only way for a man to learn all about women is to marry her. Will—And study the ways of his wife? Charley—No. Listen to what she tells him about other women.

It is unfortunately true that a girl will look bored when her father takes her to a dollar show, and laugh every minute when a young thing in a high collar and tight pants takes her to a tencent show.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. C. Gaston.

An Old Man's Last Hope.

Made helpless as a baby by a dreadful nervous disease he read of a cure like his own, and had enough faith to follow the example it set him. Now he is himself a example to others who are suffering from disorders of the nervous system.

Sawing wood, working in his garden, walking three times a day to and from his place of business—these form part of the daily routine of Eben S. Tripp, Postmaster of Middlefield Center, N. Y. He is past his seventieth birthday. Nearly fifty years a blacksmith; thirty-two years Justice of the Peace; three years town clerk, then postmaster for twenty years a resident of the town he now lives in—these are the bare outlines of a useful life. Mr. Tripp's career is a type. His story will be read with heartiest sympathy by thousands. His hearty endorsement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People will be echoed by tens of thousands. He said: "In March, 1893, I was attacked by what I afterwards learned was locomotor ataxia. "Two skillful doctors did everything they could for me. I steadily became worse. Was unable to dress myself. "Later I could not move even about the room, but was carried in my chair. "I gave up hope. The doctors gave me no encouragement. I did not expect to live very long. I was more helpless than a baby. I sank lower and lower. "In June the tide turned! From the lowest ebb, it began to set toward health and vigor. "The turning point was a newspaper article.

"I told how a man, who suffered as I had suffered, had been cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. "I gave me faith and hope. I took two boxes of the pills; then four more boxes. "My pain was steady; my return to health was a series of daily gratifications. "In all I took eighteen boxes of the pills before I was entirely well. At first I paid 50 cents a box, but afterwards I saved money by getting six boxes at a time, paying \$2.50. "I now may cure entirely to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. "To echo his remarkable story and add to the confidence of those who have hesitated to try the medicine before Homer H. H. in a local 'sunny' city. "After a long, tedious and despairing life, I was restored to the healthful, active activity, enjoyed at the beginning of my life. "I am now one of the most thriving, vigorous men with which physicians are called to contend, its cure by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People has been a matter of almost daily occurrence. Smaller nervous troubles yield much more readily to the powerful influence these valuable pills exert in restoring wasted nerve force, and in purifying and energizing the blood. "For a full and complete description of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, see the book 'The Nervous System' by Dr. J. C. Williams, M.D., published by Dr. Williams' Medical Dispensary, No. 233 N. 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.

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